# Fw: FOIA related question re: NPDES permits for oil&gas production

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### Thanks!

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David Hair---06/11/2012 03:36:12 PM---Thanks Bruce! ------ David Hair

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## Thanks Bruce!

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#### Dave.

We have only tracked the facilities through PCS or ICIS so that should be a complete list of who has an NPDES permit. We are looking at Item 2 for responsive documents.

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Hi John,

PCS and ICIS-NPDES are the only data sources I'm aware of. It's possible that R8 may have been tracking these facilities, so I'll cc the NPDES folks on this response just in case.

## Dave

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Phone: 202-564-2287 Fax: 202-564-6392 John Veresh---06/11/2012 11:50:36 AM---I have a question about a FOIA that we're received. I am responding to the highlighted part with da

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I have a question about a FOIA that we're received. I am responding to the highlighted part with data from PCS and ICIS-NPDES.

My question is, does the any of the other information exist in the Office or Water? I suspect not but I thought I'd check.

Here is what it says in the FOIA request, from NPR:

- "1. I'd like a list of all the NPDS [sic] permits that have been issued over the past five years for oil or gas production (by federal government state or local government) in Wyoming, Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and the Tribal Nations that are part of EPA Region 7 [she means Region 9]. I'd like any details that exist about the produced water from these operations and whether it includes chemicals the companies used for hydraulic fracturing or well maintenance.
- 2. I'd also like any documents, emails, or legal analyses that within the EPA or between the EPA and other government agencies or companies about 40cfr part 435.52 and how it authorizes an exception or special treatment for waste water discharges from oil and gas production. Such as does it cover chemicals used in hydraulic fracturing or well maintenance that come out with the produced water."

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